## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA

**GREGORY K. CLINTON,** 

Plaintiff,

v. Civil Action No. 2:08cv21

STONEWALL JACKSON MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, et. al.

Defendants.

## **ORDER**

It will be recalled that on July 18, 2008, Magistrate Judge Seibert filed his Report and Recommendation, wherein the Plaintiff was directed, in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1), to file with the Clerk of Court any written objections within ten (10) days after being served with a copy of the Report and Recommendation. No objections to the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation have been filed. The Court notes that on August 4, 2008, the Report and Recommendation was returned undeliverable. However, on August 6, 2008, the Clerk resent the Report and Recommendation to a new address, previously provided by the Plaintiff. To date, no objections have been filed. Accordingly, the Court will proceed with consideration of the Report and Recommendation as being without objection, thus reviewing for clear error.<sup>1</sup>

Upon examination of the report from the Magistrate Judge, it appears to the Court that the issues raised by the Plaintiff in his Complaint, filed pursuant to 42 U.S.C. §1983, wherein Plaintiff alleges that Defendants committed medical malpractice, were

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The failure of a party to object to a Report and Recommendation waives the party's right to appeal from a judgment of this Court based thereon and, additionally, relieves the Court of any obligation to conduct a *de novo* review of the issues presented. *See* Wells v. Shriners Hospital, 109 F.3d 198, 199-200 (4<sup>th</sup> Cir. 1997); Thomas v. Arn, 474 U.S. 140, 148-153 (1985).

thoroughly considered by Magistrate Judge Seibert in his Report and Recommendation, as was the Defendant's Motion to Dismiss or in the Alternative for Summary Judgment. Moreover, the Court, upon a review for clear error of all matters now before it, is of the opinion that the Report and Recommendation accurately reflects the law applicable to the facts and circumstances before the Court in this action. Therefore, it is

**ORDERED** that Magistrate Judge Seibert's Report and Recommendation be, and the same hereby is, accepted in whole and that this civil action be disposed of in accordance with the recommendation of the Magistrate Judge. Accordingly, it is

**ORDERED** that the Plaintiff's complaint be, and the same hereby is, **DISMISSED** with prejudice for failure to state a claim. It is further

ORDERED that the Defendant's Motion to Dismiss or in the Alternative for Summary Judgment (Docket #8), be, and the same hereby is, **DENIED** as moot. It is further

ORDERED that the Clerk shall enter judgment for the Defendants. It is further

ORDERED that this civil action be STRICKEN from the docket of the Court. It is

further

ORDERED that, if Plaintiff should desire to appeal the decision of this Court, written notice of appeal must be received by the Clerk of this Court within thirty (30) days from the date of the entry of the Judgment Order, pursuant to Rule 4 of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure. The \$5.00 filing fee for the notice of appeal and the \$450.00 docketing fee should also be submitted with the notice of appeal. In the alternative, at the time the notice of appeal is submitted, Plaintiff may, in accordance

with the provisions of Rule 24(a) of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure, seek leave to proceed in forma pauperis from the United States Court of Appeals for the

Fourth Circuit.

The Clerk of the Court is directed to transmit a copy of this Order to all parties

appearing herein.

**ENTER**: August <u>26<sup>th</sup></u>, 2008

/s/ Robert E. Maxwell

United States District Judge

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